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H.Güzel- Alternate member of C.C. of İGD Murdered by the Neo-fascists...



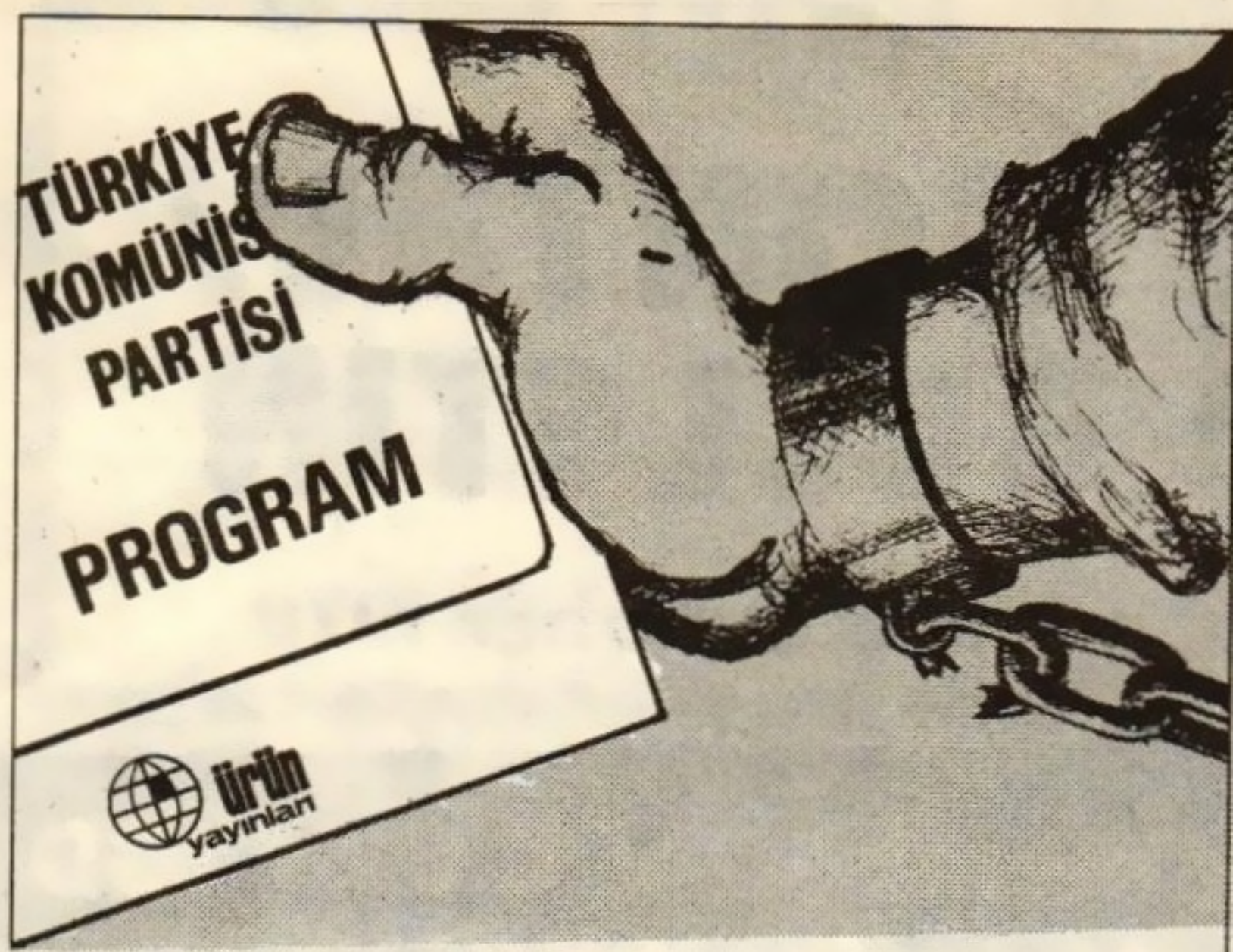
Terrorist actions of the neo-fascists in Turkey have gained momentum in the last months. In addition to the anti-democratic obstacles in front of the basic rights as freedom of thoughts, beliefs, education, health etc, the right to live has been totally interrupted. The fear of being shot by the armed neo-fascists faces every person from any political inclination or having no exact political tendency but not fascist (nowadays the fascists even shoot at each others from different fractions in their party - MHP).

Neo-fascists murdered an associate professor in Ankara, a senior professor (the dean of the Electrical Engineering Faculty) in İstanbul, tortured and assassinated 7 leading members of a legal socialist party at their home, kidnapped several patriots from busses and killed them. Also mass destructive bombs are being located in progressive organisations, train stations and parks etc.

İGD, Progressive Youth Organization is chosen as one of the main targets. In the last months four of its local branches in different parts of the country were set on fire by the neo-fascists.

-The funeral of revolutionary martyr, H.Güzel an effective response to the fascist oppression. -mass protest in front of the İGD Kadıköy branch bombed the two big branches (Kadıköy-İstanbul and Edirne). During that continuous oppression about 50 İGD militants were wounded 5 murdered. Hüseyin Güzel, the alternate member of the Central Committee and the president of Adana branch (the forth big city of Turkey) was shot to death from the outside of the window at his home.

In the mass demonstrations (including the glorious funerals of the martyr patriots) raised against the fascist oppression, the ranks of the democratic forces have been reinforced and the government have been warned to end the instable policy and the suppression against the democratic organizations and the Communists. Although some fascist criminals (MHP members), with their guns, bombs and other apparatus are arrested in recent weeks as a result of the insistent force of the democratic public opinion, the government still wavers to crush the legal and illegal neo-fascist organisations and outlaw the Nationalist Movement Party (MHP).



On the occasion of the trial of the ÜRÜN publishers who are accused to violate the Article 142 of the Turkish Penal Code by publishing and distributing "The Program of the Communist Party of Turkey (TKP)" there have been a public resistance against the anti-democratic essence of the Turkish Penal Code.

Besides creating a wide response on national level, the campaign for the liquidation of the articles 141 and 142, and freedom for TKP reached to international dimensions. Uncounted messages of solidarity with the democratic forces of Turkey have arrived from the representatives of national and international organisations, Bar Associations, political parties. And also the lawyers from democratic jurist unions of various European countries have participated in the trial process.

The continuous ban on TKP which exceeds a half century conflicts with the demands and aspirations of Turkish people and constitutes one of the main obstacles on the democratization process. After the victories of the democratic forces of Greece, Portugal, and Spain, Turkey stays as the only country in the European continent where the Communist Party is banned. This fact has been various times stressed in the documents of international gatherings related to the continent. The existence of communist parties is the most indispensable condition of the democracy

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The walls of prohibition are breaking.

TURKEY TODAY

The general crisis of the capitalist system, especially from late 1960's seriously affects Turkey-as seen in the continuous economic, social and political instability and sharpening class struggles in the country. Democratic mass movement under the banner of the working-class accelerated against the threat of fascism during the reactionary coalition (including the neo-fascist party) till the end of year 1977. When the right-wing social democrats came to power with a group of rightist parliamentarians, neo-fascist movement had already been organised in the strategical institutions of the state and reached 16 MP's.

The policy of the government towards fascism, imperialist circles and monopolies were away from the resolute democratic positions. Right-wing leadership of the governing social-democrat People's

Republican Party (CHP), particularly the Prime Minister himself attempted to hush up the anti-imperialist, anti-monopolist slogans of their last election campaigns and surrendered to the imperialist dominators (NATO and IMF) and their local collaborators. The universal "impartial" policy- "being against both right and left"- of the right-wing social democracy encouraged the neo-fascist movement. In order not to loose their positions and furthermore, to take over the power, they intensified the terror seriously.

The target of the attacks was İGD, because of the revolutionary traditions and potentials of Turkish youth lying within its scientific platform, perspectives and hardworks as an integral part of the international democratic youth movement and the national democratic forces of the country. İGD now is the most massive youth

The aim of the sovereign classes when they were adopting the fascist articles of Italy of 1938 was to deprive the working class from its most powerful weapon, from its political party. Although thousands of communists, socialists, patriots have been judged and sentenced according to these anti-democratic articles, the time had proved that they were not sufficient to hinder the progressing of the working class movement. The May Day demonstrations, mass meetings, the resolutions of mass organisations, trade unions, professional chambers, Bar Associations, the resolutions of international conferences are the forums where the will of working class and progressive and democratic forces for the freedom to IKP declared.

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organisation in Turkey who resolutely resists against fascist oppression. Those increasing attacks were aiming to lessen the militancy of İGD, to provoke another part of it to terrorism. But the strength and unity of İGD's ranks has once more been proved.

Nowadays the legal organisation of the neo-fascists, Nationalist Movement Party (MHP) is demanding martial law to end the "anarchy". They are calling a military junta while kidnaps, assassinations, massacres are being supported by themselves. Neo-fascist movement threatens also the social-democrats seriously. In that conditions, the contradiction between facism and advanced democracy oriented to socialism sharpens concretely.

The threat can only be overcome by mobilizing all the potential forces against fascism and urging the social-democ-

the democratic rights. As it is stated in the resolutions of the 1st National Congress "to resist against the reactionary forces who try to ban to demand the freedom to the Communist Party of Turkey, the political organisation of working class, appears as a daily task." With its utmost effort, the progressive youth of Turkey will struggle to implement these tasks.

In the present days conditions, it is the articles 141th and 142th which should be judged, not the publishers of "The Programme of the Communist Party of Turkey." The publishers have fulfilled their duty of being democrats. If there exist a crime, it is surely committed by the sovereign classes against the majority of the people. And as the walls of prohibition break down the real face of crime will be more apparent.

they to leave the unstable positions, uproot the legal and illegal organisations of the neo-fascist movement immediately with the cooperation of all the national democratic forces. The working-class movement of Turkey suggests to organise concrete mass actions, wage an offensive struggle and further the cooperation of the progressive and patriotic forces to establish the National Democratic Front. Also a consistent ideological struggle ought to be waged against right-wing passivism as well as left-adventurism.

Our progressive youth organisation, İGD, follows that fighting road of the working-class. The balance changing day by day in favour of the national democratic forces and the international solidarity movement shows that fascism will not be able to pass in Turkey.

SOLIDARITY brings VICTORY

60 YEARS OF THE LENINIST KOMSOMOL INSPIRE THE STRUGGLE OF WORLD YOUTH.

The World youth is celebrating with great enthusiasm the 60th anniversary of the foundation of the Leninist Komsomol, which was established one year after the victorious Great October Socialist Revolution. The Leninist Komsomol grew to giant dimensions of today through the days of struggle against the counter-revolutionaries and imperialist intervention, days of socialist industrialisation, collectivisation in agriculture, liquidation of all kinds of social misery, the days of the Great Patriotic War when they fought to defend their socialist homeland, and through the days of building a new society. 60 years of that struggle puts in front of us rich experiences which may be applied in order to enhance the effectiveness of our work and consequently contribute to the struggle for socialism.

The progressive youth of Turkey conveys its militant solidarity and friendship to the members of Komsomol, which bears the name of the immortal teacher of the international working-class movement Lenin.

"CHE" IS IMMORTAL

On the occasion of the 11th anniversary of the death of Comrade Che Guevara, mass rallies were held in many local branches of İGD. His struggle and ideals have been discussed by the members of İGD and under the data of today, the political situation of Latin America was re-examined. The progressive youth of Turkey, firmly united under the banner of working class expressed their readiness to give all their forces and enthusiasm to the immortal cause of Comrade Che.

U.S. MILITARY BASES - A DIRECT THREAT TO THE PEACE

The Turkish Government recently announced the "re-establishment" of the four main U.S. military bases in Turkey. That came immediately after the signature of a "Political Document" for mutual cooperation between Soviet Union and Turkey, and immediately after the statement of Bülent Ecevit, the prime minister, that there is not even a "Soviet threat" indeed in our region. But those bases (which had never been locked in fact) are based on that fable created by the U.S. imperialists. And they seriously threaten the neighbor soc-

IUS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The E.C. meeting of the IUS is being held in Cyprus in December. This meeting will be a real opportunity for evaluating the previous works since 12th Congress. And coming tasks for strengthening the struggle and the solidarity of international student movement for peace, disarmament, cooperation and for democratisation of education and student rights will be elaborated.

İGD, the progressive organisation of Turkish working youth and students, fights resolutely for student rights in our country. İGD-Student Section intensified its preparations for the participation in that E.C. meeting of IUS to implement İGD's 1st Congress Resolution on "the Affiliation to IUS membership".

FRIENDLY VOICES CONSOLIDATE OUR STRUGGLE

Numerous letters and cables protesting the anti-democratic measures, oppression and assassinations on the progressive forces of Turkey, particularly on İGD have been sent to the governmental authorities by leading bodies of our friendly organisations. Taking into consideration that İGD attributes great importance to the international solidarity, it may be obviously seen that this kind of actions undoubtedly strengthen our struggle.

Progressive youth of Turkey is grateful to every attempt of the friends which inspire us in the struggle for a better future.

ialist countries, particularly Soviet Union and peace and progress in the region. Unfortunately, there had been some dangerous examples of that threat in our history.

The struggle for the liquidation of all NATO and U.S. military bases, withdrawal of our country from NATO and CENTO and peaceful cooperation in the region is an integral part of the general anti-imperialist course in Turkey. The progressive youth with their organisation İGD, takes its place firmly in that exalted struggle.